FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (c) Additional share capital to Regional Rural Banks is being provided in a phased manner and till the end of the 1987-88 out of 196 Regional Rural Banks, 106 Regional Rural Banks were sanctioned second instalments of share capital. NABARD has reported that the cases for additional share capital during 1988-89 are being recommended on the basis of overall performance of RRBs. The case of Rani Lakshmi Bai Kshetriya Gramin Bank has not yet been recommended by NABARD for second dose of share capital.

Demand for Statehood to Delhi

1115. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether various political parties and organisations have demanded statehood for the Union Territory of Delhi; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) The demand for grant of Statehood to Delhi is voiced by political parties from time to time.

(b) The Committee on the Re-organisation of the Dlehi set-up which has been appointed to consider and make recommendations for re-organising and rationalising the administrative and municipal set-up of Delhi is yet to submit its report. However, no proposal for the grant of statehood to Delhi is under consideration of Government.

Financing of Jharkhand movement

1116. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the report which appeared in the Indian Express dated 13th January, 1989 regarding financing the Jharkhand movement by certain voluntary organisations in the country receiving contributions from foreign donors; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken/proposed to be taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) The facts in this regard are being ascertained and a statement will be laid on the Table of the House.

Supply of Chinese rifles to Jharkhand activists

1117. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the 'AAJ' (Ranchi-Patna) dated the 20th January, 1989 to the effect that Jharkhand activists are getting China made rifles etc. and that they have prepared a 'hit-list' also;

(b) whether it has also been mentioned in the newspaper, that Christian Missionaries are helping people relating to Jharkhand Agitation, if so, what are the facts of the case/news; and

(c) in what manner Government propose to overcome these problems to avoid blood-shed in Chotanagpur area of Bihar State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF

HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Enquiries do not confirm the veracity of the news item relating to influx of Chinese rifles in Jharkhand area or preparation of hit-list by Jharkhand activists, as published in the news item.

(b) Some organisations having links with Christian Missionaries, namely, Jan Chetna Sabha Daltonganj (Bihar), Jashpur Samaj Sewa Samiti (MP) and Indian Council of Indigenous Tribal People. These organisations have been noticed for their interest in the movement for a separate State of Jharkhand and for highlighting the common perception of "threat" to tribal identity and culture.

(c) The State Govt. is taking appropriate steps for strict enforcement of law and order and maintenance of essential supply and services and even tempo of the life of the community in the area. The Central Govt. is monitoring the situation and would extend all possible help to the State Govt. in this regard.

Coca Cola project

1118. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the proposals of Coca Cola submitted to the concerned authorities;

(b) what is the overall investment in the project, foreign and indigenous;

(c) whether Indian collaboration is envisaged or it is cent percent foreign company; and

(d) what are the reasons for which Government are considering cent percent foreign investment company for establishment in export field?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) to (c) M/s. Coca Cola South Asia Holdings Inc., USA have applied for approval to establish a unit in the Noida Export Processing Zone for the manufacture of proprietory compound preparation and extracts to be used in the production of concentrates for non-alcoholic beverages. The scheme of production proposed by the company is in accordance with the regime of Export Processing Zones.

The Project proposal involves an investment of about Rs. 3.5 crores to generate exports over a five year period of about Rs. 25 crores of concentrates with a net foreign exchange realisation of Rs. 17 crores and a value addition of about 66 per cent. The entire investment will be foreign owned. The application is under the consideration of the Government.

(d) The establishment of 100% foreign owned companies is permitted under the present regime of Export Processing Zones. However, the Board is competent to take decisions after analysing all aspects of it.

Coca Cola proposal

1119. SHRI PRITHIBI MAJHI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Coca Cola proposal is a high technological proposal;

(b) if so, what sort of technology the company is bringing and how this technology will be transferred and absorbed to help the country; and

(c) whether the use of Coca Cola brand names will be permitted to the licensees for the domestic market?